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The amendment filed on 12/29/08, amending all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because while the elected invention was directed to a formulation, the newly amended claims appear to be directed to a system which includes both compositions and method of use steps, which is not a statutory class. See MPEP 2106 and 35 U.S.C. 101. As such, the claims no longer appear to be properly directed to the elected formulation claims.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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